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CHRISTMASTIDE.

All hail the glorious Christmastide!
With good will fraught, from envy free,
Stilled be the throb of worldly pride;
May gloom disperse and shadows flee!
May Peace, with wide extended arms,
Our Nations spread her soothing charms,
And, hushing brazen war's alarms,
Her greetings send from sea to sea—
So may it be!

All hail the gladsome Christmastide!
Loud ring the joyful chimes again;
May universal love abide,
"Peace, peace on earth—good will to men!"
Ring clear and sweetly toned as when
They ushered in the Saviour's birth,
Proclaiming to the darkened earth
Eternal light, salvation's worth—
Amen, amen!

TWO CHRISTMAS EVES.

BY DAVID A. CURTIS.

"NOT another word, sir," said old Eben Withers in his usual decisive manner. "I know nothing about the girl, and I don't desire to, but I do not intend you to marry for some years, and then you are not to choose a penniless bride. You are to build up the family fortune, sir, not scatter it. No; I will not listen." And he turned to his morning paper again.

Young Eben said more than his prayers sometimes, and it would not do to set down all he said to himself as he left the room. He was as plucky a lad as there was in seven counties around, but he had always been obedient, partly from a sense of duty and partly because of the genuine love that existed between father and son.

But even young Eben, after he met Miss Mildred, saw things a little differently and would perhaps have used another word than love in speaking of his father. Certainly it did not seem as if his filial love was very strong when he came to tell her what his father had said.

Miss Mildred did not take it well. Young Eben was dissatisfied with the promptness with which she said that she would never forgive herself if she should be the cause of a quarrel between him and his father.

Young Eben looked at her attentively before speaking again, and that was a thing calculated to bewilder a man. You couldn't fully appreciate the beauty of her brown hair with its odd gleams of red and of gold before you would be admiring her broad low forehead, full in the temples, rounded and symmetrical as it was. Then a flash from her deep, large, hazel eyes would fasten your gaze for a moment till the perfect complexion and chiseled, classic features would coax it away, and the sweet glory of her face would perplex you so with its multiplicity of charms that you would fail to considering which of them was most to be desired.

All this beauty, which his father had undertaken to deny to him, without even seeing it made young Eben desperate. "Then you want me to marry some other woman," he said.

"No, no! Never!" she exclaimed almost wildly as she threw her arms around his neck and began to sob at the thought. Her quick emotions were not the least of her charms.

And that is why she did not take it well. She would, and she wouldn't listen to either side of the question. Young Eben must obey his father, and he must never cease to love her, nor ever marry any one else. And

"LET US PART IN KINDNESS."

nothing was ever to induce her to waver in any respect. It was delightful—and somewhat perplexing.

"If you won't settle the matter," he said finally, "I will." This, by the way, was what he had intended from the first.

"Settle it, how?" she asked in some alarm.

"By marrying you," he said, firmly, "but not just now. I will do nothing rashly."

It need be said that the next few months were pretty hard ones for the boy. He had set himself to wait till he should be of age, the next December, not with the thought of defying his father even then, but because he would render his service loyally to the last day. So time went on. His duty was done at his desk in the counting room so well that his father could not complain, rigid taskmaster though he was.

Of course, the birthday came in due time. Birthdays do. In the morning old Eben met him with something like emotion.

"I have looked forward to this day," he said, "as anxiously as you. You have been a good son and I believe you always will be. I am proud of you, and I believe you will live to be proud of yourself. Now that you are a man I want to start you with this. It is yours to do with as you like."

"This" was a check for a small fortune. He took it from his pocket as he spoke and handed it to the young man, who flushed with surprise and perfectly natural pleasure as he looked at it.

"It would be idle, sir, to try to thank you in words for this, or for all your kindness to me all my life," he said. "But I have something else to ask. Even this princely gift of money seems small compared to that. I want you, sir, to reconsider what you said about my marrying. Let me introduce you to the woman--"

The dark face grew rigid. "Let us understand this now," said the father interrupting. "I insist upon your obedience so long as I play the part of a father. I have no legal claim, I know—"

"Don't talk of a legal claim, father," said the son, interrupting in his turn.

"Very well. It is not a claim, but I am still your father, and so long as you continue in my home you are my son. Let me hear no more of this folly. I will never consent to this marriage. Do you understand?"

"I do. God help me!" exclaimed young Eben. "And you must understand me also. I shall certainly marry the girl I love, and I do not change, sir, any more than you. I will obey you in all else, but not in that."

"Then we may as well part now," said Eben, stung beyond endurance by the first defiant words he had ever listened to. "You can have no claim on me henceforth."

"If we part," said the lad, his voice breaking, "let us part in kindness at least. I ask for nothing more." And he stepped forward with his hand outstretched. But the other drew back. "I said you had no claim on me. My kindness was for my son, not for an ingrate. Obey me and everything shall be as it was. If not, go now."

With a despairing gesture the young man turned away, but his father spoke again. "Stop a moment," he said. "You have forgotten your check." And he pointed to where young Eben had dropped it on the table. "I gave you that, sir, before you had defied me. It is still yours."

"I cannot take it, father," said young Eben, with some spirit, though not defiantly. "You would not give it to me, now, and I cannot receive what does not come from your hearty good will."

"As you choose," said his father. "I certainly would not give it to you now."

And after the young man left the room he picked up the slip of paper and tore it in bits before throwing it into the fire. Then, seating himself at the table, he rang for his breakfast. When it was brought, however, he sat for an hour looking straight before him and finally, leaving it untouched, he rose and went to his office.

"God help your poor father," said Mildred as she nestled in young Eben's arms in the shelter of their new home the night before Christmas.

"Amen," said young Eben. He is poor indeed in his loneliness, but I never can cease loving him."

never relented, and there was a shadow over the little home, happy as it was.

"It was a bright, happy year for the youngsters, contrary to laws of fiction, for they had love and hope and hard work to fill the time and good common sense to guide them, but old Eben had One evening late in the year young Eben had come home from his work and settled himself, as his habit was, to study, when he was suddenly interrupted.

"I want to talk a little while," said Mildred, pulling his book away and seating herself on his knee.

"Good," said young Eben, smiling "but you must pay for my time."

But after she had done that very satisfactorily with a kiss he sat for a long time with her head on his shoulder, saying nothing till at length he said, "I thought you wanted to talk to me, dear?"

Still she was silent a moment, as if it were hard to begin. Then she said, "What would you like best for a Christmas present?"

Young Eben laugh. "It's some time to Christmas yet," he said. "I hadn't thought. Besides, you gave me the most precious gift in the world last Christmas. Anything else would seem very small after that."

"How lovely to say that!" she exclaimed, kissing him again. "And to say it as if you meant it. But that is just what I am afraid of."

This was bewildering. "What are you afraid of?" asked young Eben.

"I think"—she faltered, "that the angels are going to bring you—about Christmas time—a blessed gift, straight from heaven, and I'm afraid you'll love it more than you do me." Then came a flood of tears—happy ones that young Eben was too wise to try to stop.

Old Eben might have softened a bit if he had known about this, but, of course, he didn't. He kept himself well informed about the lad he loved, but proud as he was to see that his son could make his way in the world without help, he was sensitive enough to feel it an injury to his own importance and unreasonable enough to feel his anger increasing week by week. One day when he was more incensed than usual he made a will leaving all his fortune to a distant cousin, Alice Withers, who had come to keep house for him.

When he told her about it that night, a gleam of triumph came into her narrow eyes. It was what she had hoped and schemed for, but her face was grave, and her voice steady, as she spoke in reply:

"You are doing too much for me, Cousin Eben," she said. "I have done nothing to deserve such kindness, and, pardon me for saying it, you are doing a cruel injustice to your son."

It was a crafty speech, for she knew that the old man would resent the charge of injustice, and her eye flashed again when he said harshly: "I have no son. I had one, but he left me. Never mention him again."

And so the breach seemed hopeless, but Christmas was coming again, and strange magic is working everywhere in the Christmas season, softening men's hearts and quickening all impulses to peace and good will. As the year drew to a close old Eben grew weaker and more infirm. Day after day he sat alone. Careless of his business, thinking always of his ruined hopes and eating his heart.

Nothing moved him till that strange magic of Christmastide came. Here, there and everywhere it worked, penetrating even old Eben's mansion, despite the barred doors and reaching his stony heart as he sat thinking of his well beloved son, and of the wife of his youth so long dead.

It was another stormy Christmas Eve. Suddenly he rang for a servant, and sent for his lawyer in haste and within an hour he sat alone again, looking with a happy smile at the new will he had made. "I will go to my son in the morning," he said to himself, "and we will have a happy Christmas once more."

Smiling tenderly he fell asleep in his armchair in front of the great open fireplace, where the flames were roaring up the chimney. After a time he awoke with a start.

Between him and the fire stood Alice, reading the will he had just made. She was furious with rage as he saw at a glance and just as he started she was about to tear the document in two.

With an angry cry he leaped forward, his indignation giving him a strength he had not felt for months. His cry startled her and with a quick movement she cast the paper into the flames before he could reach her. Then with a mocking laugh she turned toward him.

"Fool!" she began. "Do you think—"

And then she stopped. The shock had been too much for the old man, and he fell on the floor before her insensible.

That night in young Eben's cottage there came a feeble wail, telling that a new born soul had flown in through the storm to the warm shelter of a happy mother's arms. All was well, the nurse said as she brought the lusty man child out, for Eben to see, and the young father's heart was moved with a great yearning. It must not be, he thought, that there should be any anger or hatred any more in the world. Whatever lay in his power he would do to bring peace.

So, when the first excitement was over and he was told that Mildred was asleep and must not be disturbed, he buttoned himself in his great coat and set out in the storm to seek his father's house and ask once more for his love.

The wind buffeted him, and he laughed. The driving snow beat upon him, and he shook it off lightly. Suddenly a paper fluttered along on the gale and struck him in the face, and he instinctively reached up and caught it. Then, stepping under a light, he looked to see what it might be.

Here was magic, if you please. The will that Alice had thrown into the flames had been caught in the roaring draft of the old fashioned chimney and had been carried by the spirit of Christmas straight to the hands of the heir. It was scorched a little but not injured.

Young Eben glanced through it and then noted the date, and with a glad

HE LOOKED TO SEE WHAT IT MIGHT BE.

shout sprang forward again. At his father's door Alice met and would have stopped him, but he pushed her aside with a laugh and went straight to the old man's room.

There lay old Eben, weak from his fainting fit, but little the worse for it.

"My son! My son!" he cried out eagerly. "Now I can die in peace."

"Die nothing!" exclaimed young Eben, with a cheery laugh. "God has sent you a grandson and a son tonight. You'll have a merry Christmas yet with me and mine."

And so it was.

Origin of Yule Tide.

Once upon a time, when Christmas was yet unknown, the Northern Nations of the world held a yearly festival which they called Yule. They wreathed with greens the temples of their heathen gods, as we wreathe our churches to-day; they burned great yule logs in honor of the sun, that he might make the earth blossom into spring; and they gave their children yule gifts from fir trees loaded down with pretty things, just as we give to our children upon Christmas Eve.

It was not until 180 years after Jesus Christ, in the reign of the Roman Emperor Commodus, that Yule became Christmas, and it was in the fourth century, at the time of Constantine the Great and of Diocletian, that there lived Saint Nicholas, whom boys and girls know everywhere as Santa Claus. The legend of the jolly old fellow traveling with his reindeer to fill the stockings, or, in some countries, the shoes, which children placed ready for him, grew from the fact that Saint Nicholas was regarded as the patron saint of young people the world over. We English-speaking Nations have the story from the Dutch.

A Christmas Trick.

Slyly placing the mistletoe in her hair.

CHRISTMAS GREENS.

Some Hints for Making the Home Look Attractive in Holiday Time.

Nothing gives quite such a holiday, festive appearance to the home and rooms as a small quantity of holly and evergreen. The latter can often be procured near home from the woods. For people with limited means Miss Parloa suggests some methods of decorating a room at small expense:

At least a week before Christmas get at the florist's about fifty cents' worth of the green stuff called "Wandering Jew." Probably many of our readers have this already in their window gardens. This will fill several bowls and vases. Arrange it gracefully in the various dishes and fill with water. After wiping the outside of the receptacles perfectly dry, place on the corners of mantels, bookcases, etc. Change the water every other day. To do this do not disturb the plants; simply hold the vase under the faucet and let the fresh water run until all the old is displaced. In a week's time the vines will have grown into a graceful, luxuriant mass, and with care they can be kept in this condition for months.

Smilax, asparagus, fern and other delicate vines can be used for pictures and statuary; but the expense puts them out of the reach of the majority of people. There is a hardy wild fern which all florists keep now and sell for about ten cents a dozen sprays. Buy a few dozen of these and place them on the cellar floor. Sprinkle well and they will keep for weeks. A large bowl filled with these and a few flowers will make an effective piece for the centre of the dinner table; or the bowl can be placed on a low table in any of the rooms.

Branches of holly, with their dark green foliage and scarlet berries, are emblems of Christmas. A modern custom in many families is to attach a sprig of holly which has berries on, to every gift sent away; also to fill a pretty basket with small bunches of holly, each tied with a knot of ribbon, to present to each one who calls during the holidays, a sprig of holly with the season's greeting.

Very effective decorations can be made by "crystallizing" wheat, oats and rye. This is done by dissolving alum in soft water until the solution is so full of it that a drop shows a tendency to crystallize readily when allowed to cool. Then dip the bunches in thoroughly and hang them up head down until they are dry.

Christmas Long Ago.

Robert J. Burdette in the Ladies' Home Journal tells in his numerous way how he remembers the Christmas of long ago: "Most of the Christmas presents of those days were designed by the manufacturer for the hanging stocking. Anything too big to go into a stocking had to go over to somebody's birthday. In any family where there was more than one child the old reliable 'Noah's ark' was always looked for. We hailed with acclamations of astonished recognition Noah and Mrs. Noah, Messrs. and Mmes. Shem, Ham and Japhet. There was no way of telling the men and women apart, they looked exactly alike, but the elephant and giraffe you could distinguish at a glance, on account of the spots on the giraffe. So also the dog and the cow, because the cow was always white and blue, while the dog was invariably plain blue. Within twenty-four hours after the landing on Ararat the baby would have all the paint sucked off Shem, Ham and the hired man, and the doctor would be sent for.

"The red monkey climbing a red stick was another regular Christmas visitor. He was highly esteemed as a light luncheon by the baby. It never seemed to affect the infant unpleasantly—to himself, that is—although the cloudy symphony in red and blue about his innocent mouth was apt to make the beholder shiver. But it made the monkey look sick. Then there was a man on a box, with a major-general's uniform, beating a drum. You turned a crank, the general lifted his sticks high in the air, and something in the box made a noise as much like a drum as a peal of thunder is like a piccolo. These things as toys were of no great value, but as practical and useful object lessons they were beyond all price, on the minus side.

She Gave It Away.

"I suppose you will have a goose for Christmas dinner," said the butcher.

"Yes," replied the blushing young girl, who was doing the marketing because her mother was so busy she actually couldn't. "Mr. Sissy is coming down to the house—that is—er—er—mamma says one about the usual size, Mr. Cleaver."

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution of England has now 308 boats under its management. Since its inception the institution has been instrumental in saving the lives of 38,328 shipwrecked mariners and passengers.

A Christmas Coincidence.

My Prue's a maid of seventeen,
But still has childish ways;
She always hangs her stocking up
As in her infant days.

I love her well at Christmas time,
And yet, one fact I rue—
Whene'er she hangs her stocking,
My watch gets hung up to.

—Truth.

CHRISTMAS FUN AND PHILOSOPHY.

A holey Christmas stocking catches no gifts.

A winter opening—The Christmas stocking.

The great Christmas presence—Santa Claus.

A white Christmas makes a grave undertaker.

A Christmas tree—Stocking, Santa Claus and presents.

Christmas "lippers"—Those who kiss beneath the mistletoe.

As the Christmas tree is bent, so are the presents inclined.

Christmas is present time that should always prove pastime.

It isn't the longest stocking that catches the most Christmas gifts.

Christmas is coming, but the sweet "buy and buy" is already with us.

The mantle of Christmas charity is more comfortable than a fur-lined circular.

A cheap Christmas present—Offering your heart to the girl whose money you love.

Christmas Eve proverb—One stocking on the mantelpiece is worth two on the feet.

The cheapest kind of a Christmas gift—"I present you with the compliments of the season."

A cast-iron turkey may be a substantial Christmes gift to a poor relation, but it is ruinous to digestion.

The charity that covers a multitude of sins ought to be ample enough to fill the Christmas stocking of a needy neighbor.

Yule Log Customs.

The burning of the Yule log is transmitted to us from our ancient Scandinavian ancestors, who, at their feast of Juul, at the winter solstice, kindled huge bonfires in honor of Thor. When this became a Christmas Eve custom in England, the bringing in of the Yule log was attended with much pomp and circumstance. Every wayfarer raised his hat as he passed it, for it was thought to be full of good promises.

It was the custom, also, to lay aside the part of the log which was not consumed after it had served its purpose on Christmas Eve. It was carefully preserved in the cellar until the next Christmastime, when it was used to light the new log. It was a sign of bad luck if a squinting person entered the room when the log was burning. A barefooted person and a flatfooted woman were equally bad omens.

As an accompaniment to the Yule log, a candle of "monstrous size," called the Yule candle, or Christmas candle, shed its light on the festive board during the evening. This was kept burning every one of the twelve nights of the festival. In Devonshire the Yule log takes the form of a great fagot made of ash sticks and bound with bands of the same tree.

The Festival of "Yule Peace."

The German, the Scandinavian and other Northern races used to keep, at the time of the winter solstice, a great festival known as "Yule peace," or the Twelve Nights. At this season the forces of nature—personified by all pagan people—were believed to be engaged in a grand conflict. Gods, goddesses, giants and ogres were struggling together with desperate enmity, which ended only when Thor demolished the castle of the King, and Freija, Godness of Spring, foreshadowed coming life, light and warmth. Old mythology is filled with striking and beautiful legends of this turning point in nature.

A Christmas Couple.

A Christmas goose
And a Christmas gander—
One is named Phyllis
The other Philander.
—Pearl Rivers.

A Christmas Custom in Devonshire.

A Devonshire custom is for the farmer, with his family and friends, to partake of hot cakes and cider, the cake being dipped into the cider before being eaten, and then to proceed to the orchard, one of the party bearing hot cakes and cider as an offering to the principal apple tree. The cake is placed in the fork of the tree and the cider thrown over it, while the men fire guns and pistols, and the women shout:

Bear blue, apples and pears enow,
Barn fulls, bag fulls, sack fulls.
Hurrah! hurrah! hurrah!

Compensation.

Tommy—"How many presents did yer get?"

Jackie—"Twenty-one. How many d'yer get?"

Tommy—"Nineteen. But I'll bet yer I can make more noise with mine than yer can make with yours."—Truth.

A Sign.

Collector—"I guess the Jones family are going to move."

Landlord—"Did they tell you so?"

Collector—"No; but they gave the man who lives upstairs a flute for Christmas."

Cheeriness.

Let us stop the worry, dear;
Things are coming right,
Sing your heart a song of cheer;
Give your eyes the light.

Luck is with the bold of heart,
God with those that smile;
We but need to do our part
Yet a little while.

Fortune, but to hide her frown,
When she sees your eye
Dimmed with tears and dropping down
Lightly passes by.

Meet her look with ne'er a fear;
Soon her eyes will light,
Let us stop the worry, dear,
Things are coming right.

—Boston Post.

HUMOROUS.

Tom (quoting "Hamlet")—If thou wilt needs marry, marry a fool. Bertha—Oh, Tom, this is so sudden.

Carson—And don't you think married love is true love? Vokes—It must be. Its course never does run smooth.

Gitmore—You were not in yesterday when I called. I wanted to borrow $10. Givum—Yes, I was; I was in $10.

She—The speaker didn't have any trouble in getting out his words. He—No; you see there is not much depth in him.

As he paid the bill for the sealskin sacque
The maiden's father said with a sigh:
"The summer girl is very dear,
But the winter girl comes as high."

He—I haven't had a story returned to me for a long time. She—Do you forget to enclose stamps, or are you too mean?

"Have you got low shoes?" inquired the customer of the new clerk. "Yes, sir," replied the clerk, "we marked the entire stock down yesterday."

The young man who is anxious to lay the world at the feet of the girl he adores, three months after he marries her isn't willing even to lay the carpet.

Little Clarence—Pa, does money always talk. Mr. Callipers—So the adage says, my son. Little Clarence—Well, does it stutter when it is rattled?

Mrs. Cobwigger—There was an awful jam down in the dry goods store. Cobwigger—So I should judge. They seem to have squeezed all the money out of you.

Wheel and the world wheels with you;
Walk, and you walk alone;
Ware lest a scorcher shall come up behind
And knock you as cold as stone.

He (playfully)—How old are you, Miss Browne? She—I cannot tell a lie. I—"Oh, if that is the case, I will not take a mean advantage of you. I withdraw the question."

"Have you ever called upon Miss Point Breeze?" asked Dinwiddie of Van Braam. "Only once." "Her father is a fore-handed man, I understand." "Yes, fore-footed, too."

Mrs. Chippering—So these are your children, are they? Mrs. Marrow—Yes, and everybody says they are just the image of me. Mrs. Chippering—Why, so they are, poor little things!

Dr. Blunt—We must wake her, because I want to ask her if she has obeyed my orders. The patient's husband—Er—ah—doctor, it might be as well to—ah—put that question in a somewhat different form.

A Story of Mrs. McKinley.

Dr. J. L. Smith, of Missouri, who was in Ohio recently, says the Cincinnati Enquirer, told the following interesting incident of the early days of the war and a pleasant memory he had of the lady who will soon reign as the "first lady of the land."

"I recollect in 1861 I was ordered on recruiting service in Stark County, Ohio," he said. "I made my headquarters at Canton, and in the day worked among the workman of the shops and the foundries and invited all to come to the hotel in the evening. One very warm night my father was talking from the porch of the hotel to about 200 standing in front of the hotel, and he became quite warm.

"After he had talked half an hour I noticed a young miss tripping along the porch with a pitcher and glass in her hand. She came to my father and gave him a drink. She then went among the men and served them likewise. After the enlistments were over for the evening I learned that the name of the lady was Ida Saxton, who, on January 1, 1871, became the wife of our next President—William McKinley."

Valuable Bread and Salt.

When the Emperor of Austria visited Bucharest the other day he was met by a delegation to the railway station and, after the custom of the country, was asked to partake of bread and salt. But the service used was a special tray, dish and salt cellar of gold superbly chased and valued at $25,000. These were presented to his majesty when he left.

Fat of the Mammoth Found.

Mr. W. H. Dall, returning from his examination of the coal fields of Alaska, has brought back with him to Washington pieces of fat of a mammoth preserved in ice, this being the first discovery of a mammoth in the flesh on the American continent.

A FAIR COUNTY ATTORNEY.

The Distinction Achieved by a Young Lady in Nebraska.

Miss Estelle Mae Davisson, who was recently elected to the office of County Attorney in Brown County, Nebraska, is one of the best and one of the brightest lawyers in the northwestern section of the State. Miss Davisson is a native of Iowa and has not yet

MISS ESTELLE M. DAVISSON.

reached the age of twenty-three. She imbibed her first notion of law on her father's knee. Miss Davisson is an able lawyer and a graduate of Michigan University. She attended the public schools of Sibley, Iowa. In 1886 she came to Long Pine, Neb., her present home, and finished her secular education in the high school. In 1894 she entered the law department of the State University at Lincoln, and two years later came out of it a full-fledged lawyer. She was nominated as a fusion candidate and won easily. Miss Davisson is the only woman in Nebraska, perhaps in the country, that has been elected to the position of County Attorney.

DEATH OF SALVINI.

The Distinguished Actor Dies in Florence, Italy.

Alexander Salvini, actor and son of the celebrated Italian tragedian, Tomoso Salvini, died a few days ago at Florence, Italy. Mr. Salvini had been suffering for several months with an organic trouble. A few months ago Mr. Salvini married Miss Maud Dixon, the leading woman of his company, who was at his bedside when he died.

ALEXANDER SALVINI.

Alexander Salvini was born in Rome on December 31, 1861. In 1881 he came to America with Chas. Chizzolo, the manager of Rossi's American tour. Young Salvini settled in New York and studied English, so that he could speak it on the stage.

BIG GROWTH IN EXPORTS.

Report of the Chief of the Bureau of Statistics Shows a Wonderful Increase.

The Chief of the Bureau of Statistics reports that the total value of the exports of merchandise from the United States during the month of November, 1896, and during the eleven months ending November 30, 1896, as compared with similar exports during the corresponding periods of the preceding year, was as follows:

November, 1896, $109,099,937; 1895, $87,312,581. Eleven months ended November 30, 1896, $888,680,369; 1895, $739,476,500. In November, 1896, the exports exceeded the imports by $59,053,885. In November, 1895, the excess of exports over imports was $23,937,754. During the eleven months ended November 30, 1896, the excess of exports over imports was $266,096,709, and the excess of imports over exports for the corresponding period of the preceding year was $7,137,281.

In November, 1896, the imports of gold exceeded the exports $6,944,248; and during the eleven months ended November 30, 1896, the excess of imports over exports was $43,865,408. The excess of exports of silver over imports during the eleven months ended November 30, 1896, was $44,985,015.

SIX BALLS IN HIS HEART.

Pat Coughlin Legally Shot to Death Near Where He Committed Murder.

Pat Coughlin was executed in Rich County, Utah, for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Dawes and Constable Stagg in July, 1895.

Coughlin chose shooting as the manner of death. He was pinioned, blindfolded and seated on a chair at a spot near where the murder had been committed, and six deputies fired simultaneously, aiming at the heart, over which a piece of white paper was fastened. Every bullet pierced the mark and death was instantaneous. Coughlin was about twenty-five years of age, a native of Pennsylvania, and went to Utah when quite young.

OUR CONSULATE UNDER GUARD.

The Havana Authorities Take Precaution to Prevent Attack.

The United States Consulate-General in Havana, Cuba, is under a special guard of armed policemen.

This precaution is taken by the Spanish authorities owing to the fear that the indignation expressed by Spanish sympathizers against the United States would find vent in an attack upon the Consulate.

Shot His Foe and Himself.

Morris Pope and J. H. Keithline, two well known citizens of Wilkesbarre, Penn., got into a quarrel over family matters. Pope shot Keithline. As the latter fell to the floor Pope put the gun to his own head and blew out his brains. Keithline, it is believed, cannot recover.

Official Vote of New York State.

The official vote of New York State follows: McKinley, Republican, 819,838; Bryan, Democrat, 551,513; Palmer, Gold Democrat, 18,972. For Governor: Black, Republican, 787,516; Porter, Democrat, 574,524; Griffin, Gold Democrat, 26,698.

Boy Firebugs Confess Murder.

John Corkins, fifteen years old; Arthur Farrell, seventeen, and Bert Jones (colored), twenty-three, are under arrest charged with burning H. G. Burlingame & Co.'s store in Ocean, N. Y., in which fire Lean H. Pitts, Jr., member of the firm, who was sleeping over the store, was burned to death. All three of the prisoners have made confessions.

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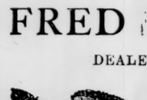

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CHRISTMAS

On the eve of another Christmas the CAROLINIAN takes occasion to express the hope that the day may be a real merry, joyous one to all—a day of good will and happiness to every home and circle over the broad earth.

Christmas! It is the time for family gatherings about the generous board for innocent pleasures of eating and drinking and companionship with those long-known and well-loved. It is the day of the year, too, to let the mind ruminate upon the bright central fact of our religion; that Jesus came among men, living such a life as to leave an undying object-lesson and a sweet savor of inspiration to all after-time. And the day is magnetic and heartsome in especial, because it marks and makes much of the birth of Christ, recalling Him in those hours of "angel infancy" which evoke humanity's tenderest, deepest emotions.

Then, again, it is Childrens' day, since the Christ-child is in the thought of Christendom. And in many lands, what centuries of art and literature, of quaint folk-games and customs, of enlivening and ennobling rites and revels are summoned up by the very word "Christmas," giving it background, atmosphere and the magic of rich associations.

It is a day, once more, for the forgetting and forgiving of grudges, for the fostering of humane impulses, for the cultivation of a wholesome tolerance. It is sound philosophy, sound ethics and sound common sense to be genial, generous and of worshipful mood at Christmas time. A good, hearty laugh with naught in it of malice or vulgarity is an excellent good thing; so is the making of presents with true charity of intention.

Let us seize on these essentials of Christmas and try, each after his own fashion and in his own place and station, to be natural, frank and cheerful. And as Tiny Tim said, "God bless us all."

FOUR REPUBLICAN GOVERNORS.

Governor-elect Russell, of North Carolina; Governor-elect Mount, of Indiana; Governor-elect Pingree, of Michigan, and Governor-elect Black, of New York—good men and true Republicans, every one of them—all declare in favor of simple, dignified and unostentatious inauguration ceremonies. Russell says, "Let us show the people that we are going there for real work and not a frolic;" Pingree announces that there must be "no flapdoodle" in the manner of his induction into office; Mount wants "no spread-eagle frippery," and Black intimates that the ceremonies attending his inauguration will be unpretentious and modest. Evidently the old spirit of simplicity in such affairs is being revived, and it is fortunate that such is the fact.

WILL GO DOWN TOGETHER.

Grover Cleveland and David B. Hill entered public life together on January 1, 1883, as Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, respectively, of the State of New York. They will permanently retire together on the 4th of March next, one from the Presidency, and the other from the Senatorship. Both go down to private life "unwept, unhonored and unsung." Neither has a party behind him. Both have been thrown down by their party. One was unable to secure from a National Democratic Convention even a resolution pronuncing his administration honest and economical, and the other is likely to fail even to receive the courtesy of a minority to succeed himself!

Senator Allen, of Nebraska, appears to be the victim of a sudden attack of acute verbosity. He might do worse than place himself under the treatment of Dr. David B. Hill, or New York, whose celebrated mixture of silence and rest never fails to effect a cure in such cases.

Generally speaking, it is a frosty day that passes without bringing a report that some self-respecting Democrat has been expelled from a Popocratic club for having dared to oppose the free silver ticket at the recent election.

Chairman Jones, of the Popocratic National Committee, already threatens to coerce the country into voting for free comage in 1900. It is strange that this man's delirium should last so long.

A Pennsylvania jury has decided that a man may hug his wife and that it makes difference as to her wishes. Some men who have made a practical test of the matter conclude that it makes a very decided difference.

The Penetentiary is self-sustaining this year. The Legislature appropriated $30,000 as an emergency fund, but of this only $5,000 was drawn and this will be returned to the State Treasury.

SENATOR PRITCHARD.

Attention is called to a letter in another column of this issue from an occasional Washington correspondent in relation to an attempt to defeat Senator Pritchard. Nothing would delight the Democrats more than to have this accomplished. But it should not, and we believe that it will not succeed.

Senator Pritchard has honorably redeemed every promise that he has made; he is an able and useful Senator, and he is recognized as an influential member of the Senate. His record is a splendid one. He can be trusted.

As to Senator Pritchard's influence in the State, it has been exerted to secure the defeat and rout of the Bourbon Democracy. Largely thro' his advice and influence the policy was adopted that resulted in the election of a Republican Governor and a Co-operation Legislature, and it was the carrying out of that policy that elected a majority of the Populist members. That any of these will "go back" on Senator Pritchard we do not believe.

WINTER EVENINGS ON THE FARM.

Winter evenings on the farm will be a precious heritage to the boys of the farm if they make the most of them. Boys, don't undervalue this heritage. It is worth a great deal, much more than you can have any idea of at the present time. Now, please remember, those evenings, if well employed, will help to make men of you. Be sure and heed diligently how you employ them. Read and study—good papers and good books. If you delight in horticulture get a book on that subject and study it. If you delight more in live stock then study up that question. The same with any other special subject.

R. O. Patterson, meanaer of the Republican State Executive Committee for the State at large, and Clerk of the Federal Court at Asheville, is dead.

The North Carolina Methodist Conference will establish an organ at Raleigh, with Rev. T. N. Ivey as editor at a salary of $1,500.

There are now 391 Masonic lodges in the State—a gain of nine during the year. There are about 11,000 members, a gain of 300.

The Republicans carried Jackson county, electing Ensley, Republican, to the Legislature. This county tied at the November election.

One of the noticeable features of President Cleveland's message was that it didn't contain a single word about duck hunting or fishing.

Washington Duke, of Durham, has given $100,000 to the endowment fund of Trinity College.

LITERARY NOTICES.

Mrs Rorer's magazine, "Household News," has been absorbed by "The Ladies' Home Journal" in order to make it possible for Mrs Rorer to form an exclusive editorial connection with the latter magazine. All of her literary work will hereafter appear exclusively in the "Journal," of whose domestic department she will have entire charge. Mr. Herbert D. Ward, the husband of Elizabeth Stuart Phelps Ward, has written a new novel, which will be the fiction feature of "The Journal" during 1897. It is a humorous story, and has the unique title of "The Burglar Who Moved Paradise." It is a sequel to Mrs Ward's "An Old Maid's Paradise," the husband taking up the pen where Miss Phelps had to naturally put it down where she naturally put it down when she became Ward.

The recent addition of a Young Folks' department to "Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly" makes that periodical more than ever a great family magazine. New features are being continually added, and the publishers say that the coming year will show an even more marked improvement in its character than during the past year. Many important articles and striking stories have been secured for publication during the coming year.

The January Demorest's keeps to its usual high standard of fiction; Gilbert Parker contributes an intensely interesting story, "The Gift of the Simple King;" Margret Sutton Briscoe concludes her sprightly play, "A Dinner Engagement" and in "Our Girls" department is a humorous sketch, "The Curing of the College Graduate," by J. Y. Newcomb. The Yellowstone Park in Winter, with its glorious beauty and dangerous drifts of snow, is graphically described and pictured. It sustains the reputation for leading all others in the practical, helpful character of its departments. "Household" treats of "The Weekly Mending" giving excellent suggestions for fine mending; "Sanatary Laws," a practical talk concerning teeth; and "Home Aid" gives designs and instructions in the making of several decorative articles. The Fashion department is better than ever in the January number. The styles illustrated are smart and modish, and yet practical and helpful, and cover every department of woman's dress.

The cure of rheumatism has often taxed medical skill, but its prevention has been very easy by an occasional use of Simmons Liver Regulator. It keeps the liver well regulated, and the system free from poison. Therein is the secret of health. "I have used it for years for Indigestion and Constipation and also found that it give one relief from a touch of rheumatism —N. Hughes Iordsburg, N. M.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, Dec. 18, 1896.

Senators Gallinger and Hawley took occasion just before the Senate passed the pension appropriation bill without amendment—a compliment to the careful work done by the House Committee in preparing the bill—to give Mr. Cleveland a few hard raps for having reiterated his previous sneers at the pensioners, in his annual message to Congress. They were well deserved, too.

The fact that Congress adopted without opposition in either branch the joint resolution providing for a recess from December 22 to January 5, was note to the country that it wasn't going off half-cocked on the Cuban question just because of a lot of hysterical meetings in various sections of the country. The Senate also showed its good sense when it adopted a resolution calling on the President for all of the information in his possession concerning Cuba, instead of some of the other resolutions which have been offered. Something will have to be done in the near future, but no steps should be taken in the dark.

Senator Stewart has not found the publication of a silver organ—dated at Washington, but printed at Alexandria, Va., because of cheapness—profitable. He stated under oath a few days ago in a court proceeding to get rid of some objectionable partners that his paper, the Silver Knight, has cost him $16,000 in cash and that it had between $7,000 and $8,000 indebtedness for which he was responsible. It has been suggested that he should make the title of the paper read: "The Silver Errant," or better still, "Don Quixote, up-to-date."

Every bill of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee has been paid and the vouchers audited and the committee has a small balance on hand. Chairman Babcock, whose health is a little run down on account of the hard work of the campaign, will spend the holiday recess at the Hot Springs.

Senator Allen is struggling hard for notoriety. Last week he got a little bit by moving that the Senate take up a bill to which he himself is opposed, and this week he made a bid for more by offering a resolution for the appointment of a committee of Senators to investigate the expenditure of money in the recent Presidential campaign. He claims to base this resolution on no better foundation that the vote of a number of States carried by McKinley was largely in excess of what were cast in 1892 when every well-informed man knows that Cleveland was elected by the stay-at-home Republican votes, and not because a majority of the voters of a number of States he carried were for him. This year the stay-at-home vote of '92 was cast solidly for McKinley, and for that reason this very wise Populist wants to investigate the expenditures. It is customary for the author of a Senate resolution creating a special committee to be made the chairman of the committee, and in that custom lies Mr. Allen's real reason for offering this resolution. If he could get himself at the head of such a smelling committee he could keep himself continually in the newspapers even if he found out nothing. Men who become public nuisances in their efforts for notoriety are really to be pitied.

Senator Vest intends to use the nomination of Secreeary Francis to help him to get back to the Senate. At the meeting of the Finance Committee this week, when under ordinary circumstances the nomination would have been reported to the Senate, Vest asked that it be allowed to go over, knowing that the committee would not hold another meeting until nearly the middle of January. Meanwhile he will try to make members of the Missouri Legislature believe that he can confirm or defeat the nomination of Francis just as he pleases. Vest made a tariff and silver speech, which was also intended for Missouri Legislators.

Chairman Dingley, of the House Ways and Means Committee, has no idea why the story was started that it was intended to try to pass the tariff bill upon which the committee is now working at the present session of Congress, and says that neither himself nor any other Republican has contemplated passing the bill at this session, for the very good reason that it would simply be wasting time for the House to pass the bill knowing that it hadn't a possible chance to get through the Senate. The bill is being prepared to be passed at the extra session of Congress, which will meet shortly after President McKinley's inauguration, and the Republican members of the committee will work right along through the Christmas recess in order to get the bill in shape as soon as possible. The hearings, which are to last two weeks will begin during Christmas week.

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Senator Pritchard—Democratic Effrontry

WASHINGTON, D. C.,
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The Democratic scheme to defeat Senator Pritchard's re-election is a characteristic piece of Democratic effrontry. The Democratic committee here has taken the matter in hand and the chairman of the committee is very confident of the election of a half-breed, free trade Democrat. No Populist can vote for Pritchard, say these Democratic manipulators, unless he has been bribed by Hanna, and upon this assumption the cry of "stop thief" has been raised in the State to influence Populist sentiment against Senator Pritchard. Personal appeals it is said, have been made to the Populist members-elect of the legislature warning them that every Populist who hesitates to declare his opposition to Pritchard's re-election will subject himself to suspicion. The story that Hanna will send a bribery fund to the State is a Democratic lie. It is so understood by Populists, and accepting their own statement in that behalf as conclusive, it will not influence a single Populist vote in the Senatorial election. Another preposterous combination scheme to defeat Pritchard is the ready acquiescence of the anti-Pritchard combination to elect a silver Republican. An influential Populist member of the legislature, writing of the phase of the contest, says: "If Pritchard is not a silver Republican there is not a Republican in the State who can fill that requirement, and if Pritchard cannot be elected no other Republican in the State is a possibility. I consider neither Dr. Mott nor Col. Dockery, whose names are being pressed, silver Republicans. The former is an independent silver man who voted for Russell on personal grounds, and Dockery is a Populist. As a Populist I believe in the free coinage of silver, and if silver should be the only consideration in the election of Senator Pritchard's successor, I shall not hesitate to vote for Senator Pritchard. I recognize certain political obligations incident to the Senatorial election in 1894 and I am not yet ready to repudiate them. In taking this position I am sustained by the Populists in this county and district." And it may be said that this statement from an Eastern Populist is not the only one of the same sort that has been recently communicated to Senator Pritchard. The tricksters whose business just now is to frighten the Populists with the baseless cry of Hanna's corruption money will soon be without occupation.

WHY SHOULD PRITCHARD BE DEFEATED?

It is not because his record on the silver question is not consistent. His public record is unassailable. He has supported silver at every opportunity in the proceedings on that question in the Senate. He has kept faith with the people who elected him to the Senate. He has not been remiss or indifferent in his allegiance to silver and has done all that the most zealous silver advocate could do short of abandoning the Republican organization. So it is not his silver record that demands his defeat. The tariff will be the issue in the next Senate and the Southern free trade Democrats fear Pritchard's unanswerable arguments in the coming great tariff debate. That is the confessed secret of the present Democratic opposition to his re-election. On the tariff issue the Democratic factions can unite. It is the one hope of realignment and the only shadow of a hope of escape from complete party disintegration. The most blatant free trade Southern Democrats who were loud in their professions for silver during the campaign, since their return to Washington privately boast that the silver agitation is dead and they are not a bit sorry. The fight henceforth is on the tariff and if Senator Pritchard is defeated the free trade Democracy will re-organize the Senate, obstruct all tariff revision and strike a fatal blow to the great industrial interest of the South. From all advices received here the situation warrants the confident assertion that the Populist party in North Carolina will not contribute to this national calamity through Democratic ascendency in the next Senate.

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1. That the name of said Company shall be the Roanoke Improvement Company.

2. The object shall be to buy the Manteo School Building and Odd Fellows Hall and Lot located in Manteo, N. C. To lease, rent or sell the same, buying and improving real estate, and leasing or renting or selling the same, operating a school in the town of Manteo, N. C., and such other business as said Association may see fit to engage in.

3. The place for conducting the business shall be Manteo, Dare County, North Carolina.

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7. Number of shares shall be thirty-five with the privilege to increase to three hundred, and the amount of each shall be Ten Dollars.

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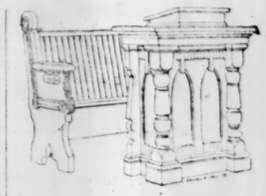

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Wednesday, December 23, 1896.

☞Ho for Christmas!

☞May it be a merry one for all.

☞Many of our farmers are wisely planning to diversify more.

☞The ink the printer uses is the ink that rules the world.

☞Anticipating a good season, the Fishermen are making preparations accordingly.

☞Miss Narcissa Lamb, of Camden, departed this life on the 16th inst, aged 29 years.

☞The special attention of Truckers and others is called to the advertisement of The Shippers' Produce Co., Baltimore.

☞The leading Hotel in Elizabeth City is the New Albemarle. It is centrally located and is under excellent management.

☞We still have a few copies of the large latest edition unabridged Webster's Dictionaries on hand. To close out the lot, we will send a copy to any address for $1.15; or at our office for $1.

☞Attention is called to the professional Card of Dr. W. H. Morris, Veterinary Surgeon, in this issue of the CAROLINIAN. He is having great success. Among the cases treated and cured is that of a horse attacked with tetanus (lockjaw.)

☞As Congress does, and as is the custom, the CAROLINIAN force will take a holiday recess; consequently there will be no paper from this office next week. The next issue of the CAROLINIAN will appear on the 6th January.

☞We will send out statements during the coming week to those in arrears and hope that a prompt response will be make in each case. The sums are small in a majority of instances, bnt they amount to considerable. It is all due us, and we need it.

☞A patron, on forwarding his subscription, writes:

I always think of the CAROLINIAN as the most racy and up-to-date paper published in this section, always giving the news which is of most interest to the general public. I have been a reader of it from youth and have become wedded to it.

☞The heavily "sot down" on adviser of the late deposed Democratic Corporation "ring," keeps up surly snarls. They only excite the derision of honorable men. The plain, blunt farmer who recently, at South Mills, referred to him, to his face, as "a bob-tail lawyer," didn't miss the bull's eye!

☞Despite the dolef ul predictions of the croakers that it would cost not less t han $30,000 to dredge and sidelog Tiber n and Poindexter Creeks, the work has been done for less than $10,000, including the building of six good, strong bridges which had nearly rotted down and would very soon have had to been rebuilt at a cost of over $1,000.

☞On last Wednesday night, at the Albemarle House, Mrs Sarah F., wife of Mr. J. J. Isler, died of paralysis. Mr. Isler is the machinist at the Buffalo City, Dare county, Mills. His wife be ing ill, was brought here some weeks ago for treatment. They came South from Cincinnatti, Ohio. Their youngest son is attending school here. Mrs Isler was in her 46th year of age. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Blackwell.

☞It is with a feeling of profound sadness that we announce the death of our townsman and friend John Cartwright, which occurred on last Thursday night. He had been ill about two weeks. He was in his 46th year of age. He was a worthy citizen and an honest man, and he enjoyed the personal esteem of all who knew him. He was acting Deputy Sheriff, which position he filled with entire satisfaction. Knowing him as we did as a man of sincere convictions and sterling integrity, we feel impelled to pay this tribute to pay this tribute to his memory. The funeral ceremonies took place on Saturday at the Baptist Church, Rev. Dr. Blackwell officiating.

☞On our editorial page we have our general "say" on Christmas, but we feel to add here a few words in behalf of the Little Folks. There is no land like this one for Children. They rule us largely all the year round, but at Christmas time they are the "monarchs of all they survey." But, then we who are older, remembering when we were young, can take our share of the fun, too, and for a time re-enter the enchanted realm of childhood. We may, indeed, well be proud and happy that the children have clasped their arms so tightly around the neck of Father Christmas and made his festival their own. If they happen to turn the house topsy-turvey as an incident of innocent revel and juvenile joy, don't too harshly say them nay.

☞Has the Edenton "Star" ceased to twinkle?

☞Civilization builds roads and roads develope civilization.

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☞The native home of wheat is supposed to be the mountain regions of Armenia.

☞Good values in Dress Goods and Hosiery at Fowler & Co.'s

☞That Kid Glove Moses Weisel is selling for 79c is a corker.

☞Ananias was the original "prominent man who did not care to have his name mentioned."

☞See prospectus of the "Eclecti Magazine" for 1897, in another column.

☞Remember there is nothing so appropriate for a Xmas gift as a "Picture" of self. So have it made at once at Zoellers. His work is of the best.

☞Have your "Picture" made at once so as to have them for Xmas. Nothing more appropriate for a gift than one of Zoeller's best.

☞The CAROLINIAN holds to the doctrine that friends of the Administration should be put on guard all along the line.

☞A "continuous performance" of bargains is shown at Moses Weisel's.

☞Men's all wool Sweaters 75c at Fowler & Co.'s.

☞We see it stated that among the old records on file in the State Auditor's office, at Raleigh, there is a will executed by Robert Taylor, of Pasquotank, dated September 7, 1700.

☞We now have a full line of Fall and Winter Samples of Wanamaker & Brown and have suits made to order and a fit guaranteed. The Fair.

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☞The man who doesn't turn up at Moses Weisel's Gents Furnishing Goods sale is very apt to be turned down by judges of elegant styles.

The celebrated "Crack Proof" Children and Misses Shoes at The Fair are just the thing for school. Try a pair.

☞The man who has no happiness in life is one who doesn't wear Moses Weisel's perfect fitting shirts.

LOCAL MENTION.

The sun rose this morning at 7:08 and will set to-night at 4:50.—Next Friday is Christmas.—The steamer Gertie May, just repaired at Willey's Ways, has launched.—Miss Lena Bland is visiting friends at Norfolk.—The turkey gobbler is preparing to be gobbled.—All the women have been talking "shop" this week.—Mrs. L. L. Williams, at the Rectory, has returned from a visit to Alexandria, Va.—The stores never looked brighter in their array of holiday offerings.—Miss Wood, of Berkley, Va., is visiting the familey of Dr. J. E. Wood, on Church street.—If you can shove along a fellow citizen do so, but be careful that it is up hill and not down grade.—A young lady wants to know how long can a woman live with a man before she feels sure that she can trust him? Well, that depends.—This is the season when

The little folks' mode of worship
Jump the track of usual laws;
Their prayers go up the chimney,
And they're aimed at Santa Claus.

—Miss Almira Allen has returned from her visit to Washington City. She reports an enjoyable time.—The woman who is "just looking around" now make the shop people miserable.—"What makes you think your horse has the heaves?" a countryman was asked the other day. "He threw me yesterday," was the reply.—Mrs. Mac R. Griffin and son, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. C. W. Grandy, are off on a visit to Washington City.—"The way of the trangressor is hard," remarked a citizen the other day. "True; but the trouble is it is generally hard on somebody else," pertinently replied the man addressed.—Capt. W. L. Walker laid a sample of Japanese persimmon, a rare product in this locality, on our table a few days ago. It was about four times the size of the native and delicious to the palate.—"Do you uphold the custom of giving presents on Christmas?" an up town man was asked the other day. "It doesn't make any difference whether I uphold it or not, it holds me up every year just the same," was the answer.—The Toadvine Lumber Company have resumed operations to supply orders for lumber.—The Jingler imagines that every knowing turkey is trepidatingly exclaiming:

"It's ominous! Gracious goodness!
What's the aim of all the glee?
When the Eagle looks so happy
Times are getting tough for me."

—Miss Fannie Mahler, of Ashville, and Miss May Lamb, of Williamston, are visiting Mrs. E. F. Lamb, on Mathews street—"How is that baby of yours?" a Second Ward young father was asked. "He's a born fighter, always up in arms," was his reply.—Mrs. J. E. Merriam, who has been spending the summer at Washington, N. C., has returned.—Fine oysters are now being brought here.—"What is raised mostly in damp climates?" asked the teacher. "Umbrellas," answered a little boy in the class.—Mrs. Lieut. J. C. Cantwell, who has been off on a visit North, has returned.—The new Cotton Factory will be ready for operation early in January.—The Rambler reports 24 new houses in the course of erection, a number of them nearly finished, since his last stroll right after the election.—The average small boy and girl are putting on their best behavior in order to get on the right side of Santa Claus.—The Versifier, who is somewhat of an epicure, states what he expect as the bill of fare on Christmas Day:

Turkey, O, a great big fellow!
Fruits, all ripe and rich and mellow,
Pies of pumpkins, apple, mince,
Jams and jellies, peaches, quince,
Purple grapes and apples red,
Cakes and nuts and ginger-bread,
Everything that's nice to eat,
More than I can now repeat.

—There was an entertainment by the Gaston Literary Society at the Hall of the Collegiate Institute on Friday night. There was music, declamations, recitations and an interesting debate.—There are some people who, if they get to heaven, will meet a good many people who will be surprised to see them.—The man at the bottom of the ladder cannot fall and hurt himself.—Misses Sallie and Ethel Scott, who have been off on an extended visit to New York, have returned.—When there is much to be said on both sides there is seldom anything omitted.—We have had several pleasant calls during the past week from Rev. W. Q. A. Graham, Superintendent of the Atlantic Mission Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and also President of the Conference School at Marshallburg, Carterett county. He expects to remain a short while here to assist Rev. J. B. Bridgers in a series of revival meetings at the Tabernacle, late the Opera House.—"He's a devil when he gets liquor in him!" was the remark overheard on Saturday evening. And yet how mournfully true it is in so many cases.—To-morrow night the little folks will begin to listen for the jingle of Old Santa's reindeer bells.—Our genial friend J. A. Harris, representing Caleb Haley & Co., of New York, dropped in and paid his respects on Saturday. He was on his way to Roanoke Island and Newbern.—Two lovers make a pair of spectacles of themselves that any one can see through.—Josiah Nichonson, of Belvidere, was in the city on Monday. He called and paid his respects.—Mrs. M. B. Culpepper and children returned on Saturday from a very pleasant visit to Washington City.—Rev. C. C. Brothers arrived on Wednesday to arrange for the sale of his mother's personal property, which took place on Saturday. He left yesterday, taking his mother along to live with him. He is now stationed at Catawba, N. C.—Only a few more days of Leap Year.—The Town is full of Christmas buyers.—A fellow came out of a certain Saloon "half shot" yesterday.—On Chaistmas eve don't let the little ones go unhappy to bed if you can prevent it; and don't too harshly suppress them if, after they get up in the morning and during the next day, they are a little noisy.—A number of students from Schools and Colleges are home to spend the holidays.—Mr. and Mrs Fred. H. Zeigler, who have been off on an extended visit North, have returned. They were accompanied by their cousins Wm. E. Schloegel Attorney at Law, and his sister, of Baltimore, who will spend a short time on a visit here.—Among our entertaining callers yesterday were Collector Pendleton and Postmaster Brinkley, of Edenton, D. E. Bray, of Riddle, John O. White, of Hertford, and, too, from "Elijah and Elisha," to wit, Elijah Peele and Elisha S. Simpson, of Belvidere.

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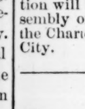

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OUR COLORED PEOPLE

[Items of interest concerning the Colored People will regularly appear in this column.]

BY SPECIAL REPORTER.

Rev. Pettigrew gave us a call on Saturday last.

Miss Minnie Kelley leaves to-day to spend Xmas in Norfolk.

Mr. A. J. Ferebee, a prominent citizen of Currituck, was in the city on Saturday.

Prof. Whitehead anticipates spending the holidays at his old home in Goldsboro.

The schools close to-morrow for the holidays and the small boy rejoices.

Mrs. D. S. Willie, of Sladesville, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. E. Jones on Normal street.

The writer enjoyed his — th birthday on last Saturday, but since it is not fashionable to tell one's age he will leave you to conjecture.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church will hold an entertainment at Leigh's Hall to-night.

Having completed the erection of a very fine residence in Perquimans, A. L. Hudgins has returned to the city. He is one of our progressive mechanics.

Mrs. Ellen Bright returned Friday from Philadelphia where she has been since summer.

Mrs. L. A. Brown attended the marriage of her sister, Miss F. M. O'Kelly, at Raleigh last week.

Mrs. Lou Peterson, of Nortolk, was here last week the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. B. Lamb.

Rev. James Swift, of Suffolk, is spending a few days here visiting relatives.

The marriage of Allen Bailey to Miss A. T. Vaughan at Mt. Lebanon Church to-night promises to be quite a brilliant affair. We tender our best wishes.

A merry Christmas to all! Once more, through the providence of God, ye reporter speaks through this column and joins in the glad cry that is echoing throughout the land. He trusts that good old Santa Claus will visit all the young folks (and the old ones if he will) and when its all over may all, even including papa and the single young man(?) be content to smile.

The celebration of January 1st, as thus far arranged, promises to be a scuccess. The Committee in charge have arranged an excellent literary programme with the well-known and gifted Rev. M. W. D. Norman orator of the day. Also several societies are expected to join in the street parade. For particulars consult bills.

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Notice of Administration

Having qualified as Administrators of the estate of the late Sarah J. Eves dec'd, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to her estate to come forward and make immediate settlement and those holding claims against the same to present them for payment within twelve months from the date of this notice, or it will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. December, 10th, 1896.

J. P. EVES,
W. W. EVES,
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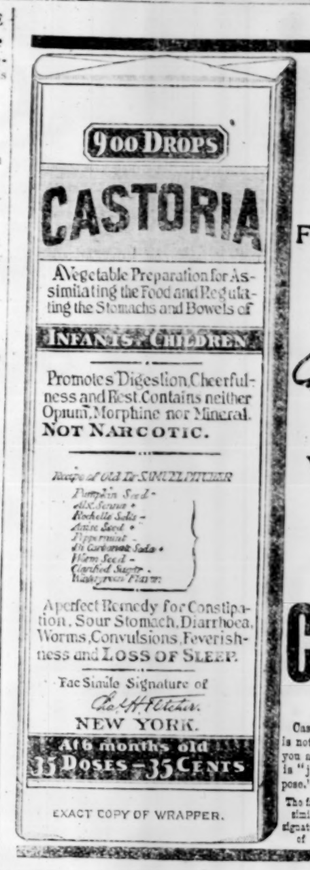
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Wonders of the Century.

It is strange, but nevertheless true, that nowadays events which a score of years ago would have created a nine days' wonder all over the civilized world are passed over with a mere glance. Science has done so much during the last twenty years that the people have almost ceased to wonder. And yet every day brings forth all sorts of marvels which would have caused past generations to think the millennium had arrived. A scientist now comes to the front with an appliance by which the deaf are made to hear through the hands. In other words, electricity carries the knowledge of sound through the nerves into the brain. The great work of bottling a large portion of the power which has been for thousands of years lost in Niagara Falls has practically ended and soon an immense current of electricity will be driving wheels many miles away from the Falls. Ten years ago the person who intimated that such a thing might be was hooted and ridiculed for imagining that there could be miracles at this late day. Only a short time ago it was imagined that the sun was kept full of light and heat by means of comets and stars continually dropping into it. Now science has made known the fact that such is not the case.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Bagpipes in the Drawing Rooom

The announcement that the drawing-room amusement this season will be bagpipe playing by ladies is somewhat dismaying, and is by no means an improvement on skirt dancing. Even the polite persons who are accustomed to remark, at the end of amateur performances in the drawing room, "Thank you; so very charming," will have some difficulty in preserving their elegant composure during a bagpipe display. The details given are tantalizingly scanty. Are the young ladies to be attired in the correct if barbaric Highland full dress, and are their operations to be accompanied by the true Highland whoop! The new French drawing room craze—character reading by the mouth, or buccal physiognomy, as it is called, the rest of the face being concealed—seems to us far preferable.—St. James's Gazette.

Apple Juice to Put Out Fire

During the progress of a fire at Magnolia, Camden County, N. J., the bucket brigade exhausted the water in the wells. The firemen were anxious to save an adjoining property and they knew a few buckets of water would accomplish their object. A lady who lived near came to their rescue, exclaiming: "Boys, come to my house; I have two barrels of vinegar in my cellar; roll them out and save the house." The flames were put out with apple juice.

Vessel for Invalids.

It is said that an English steamship company is about to build a vessel which will be for the "sole use of invalids." The steamship is to be fitted up very luxuriously and devoted entirely to the service of wealthy sufferers who are afflicted with pulmonary troubles. An eminent corps of medical men will be on board, and the cuisine will be in charge of chefs trained to the delicate task of ministering to the refined and capricious tastes of invalids.—Chicago Record.

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THE DINGLEY BILL DEAD.

Republican Senators Abandon Hope of Tariff Legislation.

EXCITING DAY IN THE SENATE.

A Brief Resurrection of the House Measure Conclusively Demonstrated the Futility of Attempting to Pass a Protection Law at This Session---A General Political Debate Started by Mr. Vest.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (Special).—The United States Senate on Wednesday heard one of the most dramatic debates in its history. Such men as Sherman, Teller, Gorman, Aldrich, Vest, Chandler, Frye, Allen, Hale, Platt and Mills occupied the foreground. It was a full and frank discussion of many of the great questions of the day, by men who have just come out of a National contest in which their interest was intense. Out of all the cross-fire and recrimination came a definite forecast of policy from the leading elements of the Senate.

Not only were the lines laid down on tariff and finances but the debate partook of all the pent up feeling resulting from the recent National contest. Often it was dramatic in its intensity and at all times absorbingly interesting to the crowded galleries and intent body of Senators. Political differences came in for a fair share of attention,

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(The Maine Congressman after whom the Dingley bill is named.)

and the names of Messrs. McKinley and Bryan were often heard. President Cleveland also received attention. Mr. Allen declared that the President was a Republican who rejoiced with Republicans over their recent mutual victory.

Mr. Sherman, speaking for his Republican associates, declared that all possibility of passing the Dingley bill was at an end, and that it would be abandoned.

Mr. Teller, speaking for the Silver Republicans, said that he was not ready to concede the support of this element to the coming tariff bill, and that the measure would have to take its chances through its inherent merits of winning votes from that quarter.

Mr. Gorman, speaking for the Democratic side of the chamber, conceded for the first time that the Republican Senators would have a clear majority after March 4 next, and announced that there would be no opposition from the Democratic side to the passage of the tariff bill, beyond a demand for adequate time to discuss it.

Since Congress reassembled intense feeling on political matters has been latent among the Senators. Mr. Vest gave the opportunity for free and open statement by calling up the Dingley bill for the purpose of making a speech against the protective system. It was in his characteristic style and bitterly personal. Mr. Vest took occasion to arraign the Republican party for alleged corruption in the St. Louis Convention. A general debate followed, and leading Senators expressed the opinion that the Dingley bill could not be passed. Mr. Sherman spoke earnestly about the need of legislating to provide more revenue. Mr. Teller declared that nobody in the Senate expected the Dingley measure to pass. Both Teller and Gorman made insinuations against the methods of the Republican party in carrying the last election.

Senator Teller, now the recognized leader of the Populists in the chamber, intimated that he would not support a Republican tariff measure. He accused the Republicans of having framed the Dingley bill with the full knowledge that it could not pass, and of endeavoring to fool people by presenting a bill for political purposes which they had no desire or intention to enact into law. This statement was promptly repudiated by half a dozen Senators, but Mr. Teller's challenge served to bring out the fact, which was first admitted by Senator Platt, of Connecticut, that there are not now and never were enough supporters of the Dingley bill in the Senate to pass it.

Mr. Hale expressed the hope that the Senate and country would take notice, from the statements made by Senators Gorman and Teller, of the difficulties under which the Republican party in the Senate labored.

Mr. Gorman—"You have succeeded—I will not say how—in having the responsibility. But you know that you cannot accomplish anything substantial at this session of Congress. You ought, therefore, to stop this discussion and prevent the upturning of the business interests of the country."

The Republican leaders quickly saw their opportunity to get rid of a troublesome burden. There was a hurried whispered consultation between Senators Sherman, Aldrich, Hale and Morrill, and Senator Sherman rose and said that in view of the statements that had just been made as to the impossibility of passing the Dingley bill, the Senate ought not to waste any more time over it. This definitely shelves the Dingley bill, and all prospects of tariff legislation during the present session.

New Interstate Commissioner.

The President sent to the Senate the nomination of Charles A. Prouty, of Vermont, to be an Interstate Commerce Commissioner, vice W. G. Veazey, resigned.

Killed His Father.

Luigi Jurio, insane, beat his father to death with a club at Vineland, N. J., because he had begun to doubt his son's claim that he is the Messiah.

Populist Mayor in Lynn, Mass.

The last of the municipal elections in Massachusetts were held. The most surprising result came in Lynn, where Walter L. Ramsdell, a silver Democrat and Populist, was elected Mayor by a majority of about 1700. This was brought about largely by the cut-downs in the Lynn shoe shops since the National election.

Call Denounces Spain.

United States Senator Call introduced in the Senate a resolution denouncing Spain for the death of Maceo, based upon the reports that the Cuban General was assassinated.

Cycling Notes.

Several letter carriers in Madrid, Spain, have been provided with bicycles.

An import duty of $12.50 a machine is levied on bicycles entering Russia.

The Illinois division of the L. A. W. is aiming for a membership of 10,000.

Pennsylvania expects soon to be represented in the L. A W. by 12,000 members.

An extensive export business in bicycle parts is reported by the American trade.

Cyclists in New Jersey are looking for more good roads legislation this winter.

The crack ten-mile rider Linton was beaten in the late New York tournament by a man on the chainless wheel.

Street car lines in San Francisco are experimenting with devices with which to transport bicycles for the regular five-cent fare.

When the weather becomes too cold for comfortable riding in the ordinary cycling dress, a newspaper placed between the sweater and undergarment will be found to be an excellent chest protector.

A tour of the bicycle schools will disabuse any one of the impression that interest in cycling is falling off, or that every one has learned to ride. Many academies are doing a large business for this season of the year.

A cycle club in Adelaide, Australia, has offered a prize of $2500 for a race to be run on January 20. This places the Austral, which heretofore has been the largest single prize event, in the shade, for its value is $1750.

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Washington Items.

The Cuban situation was discussed at a meeting of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee; the sentiment was in favor of a conservative policy.

The Navy Department has ordered the special investigation Board to test the steel intended for the battleship Illinois, as defects have been found in some plates.

The Senate passed Senator Morgan's resolutions calling on the President for papers in relation to the Cuban war. In supporting his resolutions Senator Morgan denounced Spain and criticised Cleveland for delay.

Six of the twelve pieces selected for examination from the plates furnished for the Kearsarge and Kentucky were found to be defective.

The Republican members of the House Ways and Means Committee began at a secret session the work of preparing the new tariff bill.

In the Senate Mr. Peffer, of Kansas, introduced a resolution for the appointment of a commission to investigate the report on the establishment of a permanent monetary system.

The veto of the President in the case of a pension for Lydia A. Taft was sustained by the House.

A concurrent resolution providing for a holiday recess from December 22 to January 5 was adopted by Congress.

President Cleveland left Washington for a shooting trip in South Carolina waters. He was accompanied by Captain R. D. Evans, Commander Lamberton and Dr. O'Reilly, his physician.

Mr. Treloar introduced in the House a joint resolution for the Constitutional Amendment fixing the terms of Representatives at four years, of Senators at eight years, and of the President at eight years, the President to be ineligible for re-election.

The Senate in executive session ratified the treaty with Mexico, extending for one year the treaty providing for the marking of the boundary line between the two countries.

Domestic.

Six men lost their lives by an accident in the Holy Cross Mine, at Red Cliff, thirty miles from Leadville, Col.

Morris Brill, an electrician, volunteered to fix an electric light wire in New York City and was killed by a shock.

Reports from many places in all parts of the country show that men are organizing and enlisting to help Cuba.

At Sneedville, Tenn., Mateed Hatfield, a relative of the notorious Hatfields, of Kentucky and West Virginia, was hanged a few days ago. With a woman named Haney Jordan, he waylaid and killed Jonas Trail, a dealer in illicit whisky, on March 25.

Moody and Sankey conducted services in the chapel of Sing Sing (N. Y.) Prison. Thirty-one convicts raised their hands as a sign that they had been converted.

Mrs. Catharine McNeilly, aged nearly 10 years, died at Lambertville, N. J., and Mrs. Catharine Perry, aged nearly 104, at Lebanon, Conn.

Governor Morton appointed William M. K. Cleott to succeed the late Colonel Fellows as District Attorney of New York. He will hold the office until January 1, 1898, when he will be succeeded by the man elected to the position.

A special election held in the Third Congressional District, Georgia, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Charles F. Crisp, resulted in the election of Charles R. Crisp, oldest son of the former Speaker.

Edward Hood, while driving a wagon in the outskirts of Brooklyn, was "held up" by two highwaymen and robbed of $100.

Governor Morton dismissed the charges against Sheriff Tamsen, of New York. In his memorandum the Governor says that the Sheriff has proved an honest officer, and has done his best to properly conduct his office.

The Board of Aldermen, of New York City, formally killed the franchise of the Consumers' Fuel Gas, Heat and Power Company by recalling it from the Mayor and referring it to a special committee.

The American Federation of Labor, in annual session at Cincinnati, Ohio, rejected the credentials of President Pomeroy, of the Waiters' Union, after an exciting debate. Pomeroy had issued a McKinley manifesto during the campaign.

Elnathan Hall, of the Knoxville (Tenn.) College, a four-story building for girls, was burned. The fire originated in one of the bedrooms. The loss is estimated at $25,000. The college is under the care of the United Presbyterian Church.

Grand Isle, Vt., is the lastest town selected by the Postoffice Department for the experiment of free mail delivery in the rural districts.

Theophile Le Blanc, who starved himself that his wife might have food, died at Bellevue Hospital, New York City.

Alfred Schluss, in New York City, shot and fatally wounded the woman for whom he had left his wife and then killed himself.

Richard Roberts, nineteen years old, a son of the Rev. R. W. Roberts, committed suicide at Wilkesbarre, Penn., by taking laudanum. The young man leaves a widow eighteen years old and an infant. Roberts was head clerk in a large clothing store. Recently he had been drinking heavily and became melancholy.

The annual convention of the American Federation of Labor opened at Cincinnati, Ohio. President Gompers delivered his annual address.

A hunting party of seventeen or eighteen Yakima Indians are starving and freezing to death in the Cascade Mountains, Washington. They are snowbound, and Judge Erwin, agent at Fort Simcoe, who has charge of the Yakimas, has organized a relief party.

Fire in the business portion of Altoona, Penn., caused a loss of $100,000. Several lives were lost.

William Johns, an employe of the Hotel Le Grand, Chicago, Ill., was shot and killed by a bandit because he refused to throw up his hands.

Indignation meetings denouncing the assassination of Maceo in Cuba were held in many cities of the Union.

Samuel P. Putnam, a famous free thinker and an author, and Miss May L. Collins were killed by gas in the latter's home in Boston, Mass.

A crank with an imaginary grievance and a revolver, threatened to shoot the German Consul General, in New York City, but was disarmed by a policeman.

Josephine, Countess Jaracke, who said she was a grandniece of Count Pulaski, was found dead in her Brooklyn (N. Y.) home, having committed suicide.

The great six days' bicycle race at Madison Square Garden, New York City, ended with Hale first, Rice second and Reading third. All records were broken in the contest of endurance and speed. The winner rode a total distance of 1910 miles and eight laps. The best previous record for 142 hours was 1600 miles. Twenty-seven men started in the race. Fifteen finished.

Carl Schurz, in an address to the National Civil Service Reform League, in Philadelphia, declared that the system of civil service is doing away with official spoils and bringing honesty in the service.

The Harlan (Iowa) State Bank has closed. The original capital was $50,000. It was organized in 1872 as a private bank. The bank officials have turned over their property to be used by their creditors. Two other local firms are involved, one having assigned.

After several hours' conference the directors of the First National Bank of Niagara Falls, N. Y., resolved to close the doors. It is stated that the depositors will get their money. A few days ago the Niagara Glazed Paper Company failed, and this pulled down the bank.

Marie Barbari was acquitted, after four weeks' trial in the Criminal Part of the Supreme Court, New York City, for the murder of Domenico Cataldo.

Foreign Notes.

Riotous disturbances by the striking dock laborers are reported from Hamburg, Germany.

It is stated that President Faure, of France, will be lodged in the Winter Palace on his visit to St. Petersburg, Russia.

It is regarded as altogether likely that within the next few months the Canadian Government will float a new loan of $10,000,000 on the English market.

While the British steamer Orotava was coaling at Tilbury, twenty miles below London, she suddenly careened, and an immense quantity of water poured through her portholes, which were open. Four men who were working below were drowned before they could reach the companionways.

A cable dispatch from Caracas, Venezuela, states that there will be no extra session of the Congress. President Crespo has ordered the Presidents of States to collect all arms in their district.

In a cable despatch from Caracas, Venezuela, it is stated that President Crespo will firmly resist all attempts to reject the proposed Anglo-Venezuelan treaty.

The Baronne Emmanuel Leonino, nee Rothschild, was killed by an accident in the hunting field near Chamant, France. She was hunting deer with the Hallatte staghounds, when the herd started and scared her horse, which threw her against a tree and fractured her skull. The Baronne was the daughter of Baron Gustav Rothschild.

Many of the striking dock laborers in Hamburg, Germany, returned to work.

INDIA IS FAMINE-RIDDEN.

Forty Million British Subjects Actually Starving.

GREEDY DEALERS LOCK UP GRAIN

American Missionaries Tell of Suffering Over All the Land---Plague Adds Its Dire Terror to Hunger---Speculators Pitilessly Exacting Their Exorbitant Prices---Parents Desert Their Children

NEW YORK CITY (Special).—The appalling extent of the famine in British India is shown by extracts from American missionaries' letters furnished to the World. Forty millions of British subjects are actually starving. About 2,000,000 bushels of American wheat have already been shipped to India from New York and San Francisco. It was this extraordinary demand which started the recent rise of twenty-six cents a bushel, which is equivalent to $27,000,000 to American farmers on the year's crop. The British Government has appropriated $125,000,000 to relieve the starving people in India. Many million bushels of American wheat should be sent to India within the next ninety days.

Starving India's misery fills the reports just received by the Rev. Dr. James L. Barton, Secretary of the Foreign Department of the American Board of Missions, and the Rev. Dr. Elnathan E. Strong, its Editorial Secretary.

"From eighty missions in India," said Dr. Barton, "we have accounts of suffering beyond description. The severity of the famine does not indicate that there is no food in India, but that a scarcity in one section has raised prices beyond the earning power of the people. Wage earners there earn about a penny a day. On that they can live in ordinary times. Now, with the cost of food raised two or three fold, they cannot possibly live on their wages.

"Great masses of the population of India are on the verge of starvation even in the best of times. Millions must die for want of the grain that dealers are holding in granaries for high prices. The Government will do all that it can. Since the famine of 1877-78 it has been preparing for a famine by planning reservoirs, roads and other public works. These are to begin at once, and will furnish employment and wages to many. But India has a population of 287,000,000, and the $125,000,000 to be expended will be but a mere trifle in alleviating all of the suffering.

"The letters that have just come to us," said the Rev. Dr. Strong, "show only too plainly that millions of lives will be lost."

In the Mission Board's famine packet from India, the Rev. James Smith wrote from Ahmednagar:

"Those who constitute the rank and file of our churches are always in a condition bordering upon starvation. There are 40,000,000 of such poor people in India who never get more than one meal a day. Every night 80,000,000 lie down on the ground to sleep, hungry. The average income of every man, woman and child in India is less than one cent a day."

"In this Ahmednagar district," writes the Rev. Dr. R. A. Hume, "there has been no rain since July, and the prospect is that for eight months no more rain will fall. The first crops have not been properly ripened and the second crops cannot even be sowed. The water supply in the wells is low. What will it be in a few months hence! The famine seems likely to be general over nearly the whole population, with its 300,000,000 people. Grain riots are common. Merchants will not sell grain, largely, because they know the price will greatly increase. So the people break open grain shops and granaries and threaten to kill the merchants if they interfere. They say: 'We must have food without grain; if you interfere with our getting your grain we will kill you in the struggle, and it will be all the same.' Then they say to the police: 'Arrest us for stealing and support us in jail. It will save us from death by starvation.' As it is impossible to ripen any grain for over ten months to come, what fearful suffering seems to be in store! Parents are deserting their children. Cattle are being sold for the value of their hides. Near the gate of Ahmednagar, a cart with grain was plundered by hungry men."

GENERAL WEYLER'S STATEMENT.

He Denies That Antonio Maceo, the Cuban Patriot, Was Betrayed.

Captain-General Weyler, of Cuba, makes over his own signature, the following official denial that Maceo was either betrayed or murdered. General Weyler says: "Maceo died as a result of the feeble state in which were the insurgent bands at Havana. Doubtless, before the sudden attacks and the constant persecution of the battalion of San Quintin, they were losing ground. To reorganize those bands he put himself at their head, and for this he died, with part of the staff accompanying him. In the same manner have died many generals in all the wars over the world. Maceo was not killed in an ambush. Maceo was surrounded by his own men, who embarked with him and passed the trocha, it is affirmed by his own physician, Dr. Zertucha. It is not true that Maceo was coming for any conference with me."

BANK CLOSED.

It Also Involves the Martinsburg and Williamsburg Banks.

The First National Bank of Hollidaysburg, Penn., was compelled to suspend business owing to a heavy run made by its depositors. This bank was organized in 1863, is capitalized at $50,000, and is one of the fifty-seven oldest National banks in the United States.

The excitement over the closing was intensified by the receipt of the news that the Martinsburg Deposit Bank, of Martinsburg, and the Williamsburg Bank, of Williamsburg, had also suspended business. These two banks are branches of the First National Bank, and are unincorporated.

Deficiencies in Appropriations.

The Secretary of the Treasury sent to Congress estimates of deficiencies in appropriations amounting to $6,691,632 required to meet urgent demands of the Government for the current and prior fiscal years. The deficiency in each department is as follows: Legislative, $600; Treasury, $1,409,812; War, $3,846,500; Navy, $709,000; Justice, $731,720. The Secretary also sent to Congress a statement of receipts and expenditures of the Government for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1896, including the postal service. The total receipts as reported were $409,475,403, and the expenditures $431,678,654.

Suicide of a Banker's Son.

At Des Moines, Iowa, Eric Norin, son of the wealthiest banker of Gothenburg, Sweden, killed himself, ending with a dose of laudanum a long career of misadventure. Six years ago, at the age of two, he ran away from home and came to America. He lived at Boone, Iowa, and worked in a store.

South Dakota for Bryan.

In the mandamus case to compel the issuance of certificates to Republican electors in South Dakota on partial canvass, the court held that the Board has a right to adjourn and procure complete returns. This gives Bryan the electors.

Effigy of Weyler Burned.

Marcus Hook, Penn., is ablaze with indignation against Spain. Fully 2000 citizens of the place of Chester held a parade. Speeches in denunciation of Spain were made, and as a denouncement an effigy of Weyler was rigged up on a pole, fired at from many revolvers and finally burned, together with a Spanish flag. Intense excitement prevailed during the demonstration.

Brooklyn Bridge Traffic.

The annual report of President James Howell of the Brooklyn Bridge Trustees shows that there has been a decrease of over 500,000 passengers on bridge cars this year.

To Found a Colony in Texas.

Wealthy Hungarians in Beatlock, Penn., Pittsburg and New York have purchased the greater part of Kings County, Texas, embracing 141,000 acres, for a great colonization scheme. The company was organized fifteen years ago for providing needy Slavs and Hungarians with homes.

Ernest Chase's Double Crime.

At Detroit, Mich., in a fit of jealousy, Ernest L. Chase, thirty-eight years old, cut the throat of his wife, thirty-two years old, in their rooms and then cut his own throat from ear to ear.

LIZZIE BORDEN TO MARRY.

Three Years Ago Acquitted of the Charge of Murdering Her Parents.

It is reported on good authority that Lizzie Borden, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Borden, who were murdered at Fall River, Mass., mysteriously in 1893, and who was tried and acquitted on the charge of being the murderess, is to be married shortly. The bridegroom named is Orin Gardiner, a well-to-do resident of the town

MISS LIZZIE BORDEN.

of Somerset, a school teacher, and an old friend of Lizzie and the Borden family.

Miss Borden's trousseau is said to be making in Fall River and to include several handsome dresses. The wedding, which is expected before Christmas, will be followed by a European trip. Mr. and Mrs. Borden were killed at their home in the heart of Fall River in broad daylight on April 3, 1893. Their heads were battered to pieces with a hatchet. Their daughter Lizzie was arrested and was the heroine of a sensational trial in June, 1894. She was acquitted largely owing to the eloquence and ability as an advocate of her leading counsel, ex-Governor George D. Robinson.

LILIUOKALANI IN AMERICA.

Hawaii's Ex-Queen Arrived Unexpectedly in San Francisco.

Ex-Queen Liliuokalani, of Hawaii, arrived unexpectedly at San Francisco, Cal., a few days ago from Honolulu on the steamship China. The object of her visit is unknown, but the impression which existed among the passengers was that she was on her way to Washington to make a final and urgent appeal to President Cleveland for the restoration of her throne.

EX-QUEEN OF HAWAII.

From the facts which were gleaned it is evident that the departure of Liliuokalani from Hawaii was enveloped in mystery. No announcement was made of her intention to depart while the China lay at her wharf between her arrival from Yokohama and sailing. About ten minutes before sailing time Liliuokalani appeared on board, going at once to a state room, which had been reserved for her, and in which she remained until the vessel was well out to sea.

MACEO'S MYSTERIOUS DEATH.

The Spaniards Alleged to Have Dealt Treacherously With Him.

An extraordinary story has been received in New York through Cuban sources that General Antonio Maceo, the leader of the insurgent forces, was poisoned by one of his followers who was in league with the Spanish leaders. It is said that an attack was made by Spanish troops for the purpose of concealing the real method of the Cuban leader's death. One reason for not producing the body, it is said, is because a post-mortem examination would reveal the poison.

The agent of the Junta in Jacksonville, Fla., received a letter from Cuba which threw another light on the story. His advices were that the insurgent chieftain was on December 7 decoyed into ambush under the pretext that Marquis de Ahumada, the acting Captain-General, desired to hold a conference with him, and then killed in cold blood. All his staff, except the surgeon, Dr. Maximo Zertucha, were slain. The Junta thinks it strange that the doctor should have received immunity when he had been fighting in Pinar del Rio, where General Weyler proclaimed amnesty at an end.

The Cubans in New York City received the final confirmation of the news of General Maceo's death with tears and imprecations.

MACEO'S BODY.

One of His Former Physicians Admits That He Was Killed.

Maximo Zertucha, who was formerly General Antonia Maceo's physician, has surrendered to Colonel Tort, of the Spanish army, at San Felipe, Cuba, and confirms the report of the rebel leader's death, which, he says, occurred at 2 p. m. on December 7 in the engagement between the rebels under Maceo and the Spanish troops under Major Cirujedas. Maceo, the doctor reports, received one bullet which penetrated his head, breaking his jaw, and passed out at the union of the neck and the shoulder, and was also wounded by another shot which struck him in the stomach.

Scar-Faced Charlie Dead.

Scar-Faced Charley is dead on the Modoc reservation, Indian Territory. He was a member of the conference with the United States Committee, General Canby and others, April 12, 1873, near the lava beds in Oregon, when General Canby and Dr. Thomas was killed and Mr. Meacham was wounded. Scar-Faced Charley fired the shot that broke up the conference.

Gold Output of Cripple Creek.

It is estimated that $10,000,000 worth of gold will be dug in Cripple Creek, Col., during 1897.

Minor Mention.

Russia is importing coal on a large scale from Japan.

The iron trade is improving, both in local demand and foreign orders.

Thirteen letters written by George Washington sold recently in London for $2350.

Sonoma County, California, takes in a million dollars a year for eggs and poultry.

The keeper of New York's City's morgue is under arrest, charged with making thousands of dollars annually by selling bodies for the purpose of dissection.

Burglars at Kingston, Canada, tried to blow open a safe door which was not locked, and through faulty work only succeeded in so damaging the door that it could not be opened at all.

The Government of Victoria, Australia, is aiding in experiments in silk culture in that colony.

Up to June 30 last the United States Government had disposed of 964,000,000 acres of public domain, leaving over 600,000,000 acres still vacant, not including over 369,000,000 acres in Alaska.

While attempting to chop some wood in his back yard, the secretary of a Toronto (Canada) loan association allowed his axe to get foul of a clothes line, and his head was split instead of the wood.

Of a recent $90,000 shipment of gold bullion from La Fortuna Mine, near Yuma, Arizona, much was quartz gold that had averaged $18.60 an ounce, or sixty-nine cents higher than any previous average in the Territory, it is said.

RAILROAD STOCKHOLDERS.

PRACTICAL LESSONS RESULTING FROM RECENT HARD TIMES.

Experience Strikingly Similar to That of the National Treasury—Dividends Increased Under Republican Administration—A Decrease Under Democracy.

Railroad stockholders, and they are scattered throughout every State in the Union, have recently had as much food for reflection as the railroad hands. The reductions in wages by the companies have been more than equaled by the reduced earnings, the result being reduced dividends, or no dividends, as stockholders know only too well. Take a glance at the number of passengers and the quality of freight carried during recent years:

Year ending June 30.	Passengers carried.	Freight carried. Tons.
1890	492,440,865	636,541,817
1891	531,183,998	675,608,323
1892	561,958,211	706,555,471
1893	593,569,612	745,119,482
1894	514,084,199	638,186,553
1895	517,421,362	696,761,171

Note the steady and strong growth of business transacted by American railroads between 1890 and 1893—during a period of Republican Administration, of protection and prosperity. Note, also, the much more rapid decline during the two subsequent years, under a Democratic Administration of free trade and adversity. These figures prepare the way for our next exhibit of gross earnings, net income and dividends:

EARNINGS, INCOME AND DIVIDENDS PER MILE OF LINE OPERATED.

Year.	Earnings.	Net income.	Dividend.
1890	$6,725	$651	$574
1891	6,830	689	598
1892	7,213	714	628
1893	7,199	651	606
1894	6,109	317	578
1895	6,059	316	484

Here, again, the rise under Republicanism is as pleasing as the fall under Democracy is painfully apparent. The earnings of 1895 were considerably less than in 1890. The net income of last year was less than half that of 1890. But the most striking figures are those which compare the amount of dividends paid in 1894 and 1895 with the net income in those two years, the dividends being far in excess of the income. This important feature in railroad financiering is specially noted in the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission, as follows:

"The dividends declared, it will be observed, are greater than the final net income, from which it appears that the railways of the United States closed the year covered by the report with a deficit from the operations of the year of $29,845,241, which was, of course, met either by a decrease in the accumulated surplus of previous years, or in the creation of current liabilities. The deficit for the year ending June 30, 1894, was $45,851,294, showing that the railways of the United States have run behind during the two years in question $75,696,535. Should this continue, either the investments or the credits of railways must disappear."

We feel sorry for the stockholders, among whom are many having their entire money invested in railroad securities. To all such, the following summary of operations can hardly be pleasing:

RESULT OF OPERATIONS.

Year.	Surplus.
1890	$12,070,383
1891	13,587,903
1892	14,036,056
1893	8,116,745

DEFICIT.

1894	$45,801,294
1895	29,845,241

This result is so strikingly similar to the experience of the National Treasury, in 1894 and 1895, as to indicate that a Democratic Administration has an equally depressing effect upon both our National finances and our National railroad finances. A change will be good for both, and stockholders will note the point.

Lock the Gate.

A Tariff for Protection.

Never once during the recent campaign, in spite of threats on the one hand and cowardly advice on the other, did Major McKinley shirk or straddle the tariff issue. His straightforward, manly advocacy of the American system of protection, in every speech made during the campaign, was good politics as well as good economics and good morals. It not only gave him the election, but it has saved his coming administration from any possibility of embarrassing entanglements. As President, Major McKinley will have his hands free and will be able, without violating a single pledge expressed or implied, to further the enactment of a tariff law on strictly protective lines, and thereby bring back prosperity to American industries and comfort to American homes.

Two Years of Free Wool.

Two years of free wool have proved conclusively the truth of ex-President Harrison's epigram that a "cheap coat means a cheap man." The workingmen of this country may have been able to save a little on the clothes which they have bought—if they have been able to buy any—but they have paid for that little saving a hundred times over by the loss in wages due to the shutting down of mills of every kind. Neither has it paid the farmer to save $1 on a suit of clothes, and lose the sale of hundreds of dollars' worth of farm products, on account of the destruction of the consuming power of American workmen. The "cheapness" of free trade is the most expensive thing in the world, for the thing it cheapens most is man's labor.

Horse Sense.

When a wage earner is fully employed he can buy freely of the retailer. When working on half time he must buy less. If the retailer persists in buying foreign goods he is only injuring his own trade by taking work away from his own customer—the American wage earner.

Burning of the Peggy Stewart.

The anniversary of the burning of the ship Peggy Stewart in Annapolis Harbor was celebrated in 1896 by the Baltimore Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution. The burning of the Peggy Stewart occurred October 19, 1774. Alexander Stewart was a merchant and shipowner of Annapolis, and one of his ships was the Peggy Stewart. One day Peggy came gayly sailing into the beautiful harbor of Annapolis with a load of tea. That load of tea in the hold of the good ship was to the fearless and sturdy colonists of Anne Arundel like waving a red flag at a bull, and they determined that not a pound of it should be landed. A large number of Annapolis and Anne Arundel patriots, led by Dr. Charles Alexander Warfield, went to Mr. Stewart and demanded that the tea be sent back to Great Britain. Mr. Stewart refusing, the party took Mr. Stewart, and, putting a torch in his hand, compelled him to set fire to his own ship and its cargo.

The Trade in Toads.

The present market price of toads in London is twelve cents a dozen. Of all the means of ridding an infested garden of slugs and other pests there is nothing to touch a judicious regiment of toads. They will keep the worst garden clear of insect enemies for any length of time; and, in view of this, the toad trade has sprung up.

At evening the toad catchers set out; and along the banks of streams and under hedgerows they find the little brown slug-killers, walking solemnly in straight lines, on the prowl for worms and beetles. The wily catcher lifts them one by one and stows them in his sack; and, if he knows anything of the ways of wild things, he will fill all his receptacles in an hour. Three or four dozen may be taken in an evening almost anywhere—even on Hampstead Heath. Florists and private people with large gardens buy the toads at twelve cents a dozen.—Answers.

Sunshine for Other Worlds.

The astronomers have been figuring on the amount of heat and light that our sun is constantly emitting. It is shown by this wonderful tables of figures that our earth constantly receives as much sunshine as would illuminate 50,000,000 square miles of flat surface. Even this vast quantity is as nothing, for, of course, our earth only receives that which happens to fall on the side next to the sun. If there were 2,380,000,000 worlds strung around the sun they would form a shell of a sphere, with the sun in the center, and each would receive daily and hourly the same amount of sunshine that we enjoy.

The Sultan's Habits.

Habitually the Sultan of Turkey drinks only water, brought to the palace in casks under special precautions. His food is extremely plain, consisting chiefly of vegetables. Few monarchs, if any, work harder than Hamid. He takes but few hours of sleep, and sometimes passes the entire night, pen in hand, signing every document himself, from the appointment of a Governor to the lowest officer at the palace. Like most Orientals, he is an early riser. After the prayers and ablutions enjoined by his religion, he drinks a cup of coffee, and he then smokes cigarettes nearly all the day.—New York Tribune.

Pomeranian Potatoes.

Kallis, Pomerania, is in the centre of a great potato raising country. About this time in the year the entire population of the city, between 3000 and 4000, shut up their houses and leave the keys with the Mayor and scatter out to help with the potato harvest. Travelers who have visited the place in the fall declare that they found the town without a single inhabitant except the Mayor and the bellringer.

Climate and Comfort.

Either way, whether we are to have a prolonged winter of extreme cold or a mild one, through the dampness and chill neuralgia will find its victims, and a great many imprudent people will find neuralgia. In either case, when it does come, with its racking torture, let's look about us for the best that can be done. We need not go far. The reputation of St. Jacobs Oil as a certain cure for neuralgia has gone before it, and it is an established fact that it cures surely, soothes and restores the troubled nerves. To enjoy, therefore, a comfortable winter, whether it is cold or mild, bear in mind that for this complaint one should have the great remedy for pain ready for use. It is by putting off that the ailment grows worse, and the worst cases grow less as soon as it is used.

During the season 15,000 heads of cattle are boiled down into extract of beef every week at Fray Bentos, South America.

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There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

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